

70
Amend.
28500.015739
11/12/02



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NOBUYUKI MATSUMOTO ET AL.

Application No.: 09/944,137

Filed: September 4, 2001

For: LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD,
LIQUID DISCHARGE
APPARATUS, VALVE
PROTECTION METHOD OF
THE SAME LIQUID DISCHARGE
HEAD AND MAINTENANCE
SYSTEM

) Examiner: L.S. Nguyen
Group Art Unit: 2853
)
:
:
:
:
:
:
October 31, 2002

RECEIVED
NOV - 7 2002
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2002, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

October 31, 2002

(Date of Deposit)

PETER G. THURLOW Reg. No. 47,138

(Name of Attorney for Applicants)

October 31, 2002

Signature

Date of Signature